### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

#### NASHVILLE DIVISION

HILDA L. SOLIS,	
Secretary of Labor,	Civil Action No.
United States Department of Labor,	
-	1:09-cv-0083-AAT-JBB
Plaintiff,	)
v.	)
	)
MARK BLACK,	
TOM BLACK,	)
SYNERGY HOLDINGS, INC., and	
SYNERGY HOLDINGS, INC. 401(k) PLAN	,)
	)
Defendants.	)

# PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT AGAINST DEFENDANT SYNERGY HOLDINGS, INC.

Plaintiff, the Secretary of Labor, United States Department of Labor ("the Secretary") moves pursuant to Rule 55(b)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure for the entry of a default judgment in favor of the Secretary and against the Defendant Synergy Holdings, Inc. ("Defendant"), for the relief requested in Plaintiff's Complaint filed herein, based upon the following grounds:

- 1. Defendant was served with a copy of the Complaint and Summons on or about March 18, 2010 through the Tennessee Secretary of State, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4 (h)(1)(B) and Tennessee Code § 48-55-104(b).
- 2. A default against Defendant was entered by the Clerk of the Court on August 5, 2010. Docket Entry [22]. Defendant has not answered or otherwise defended this action since the default was entered.
- 3. To the best of the Secretary's knowledge, Defendant has no registered agent, and, therefore, pursuant to Tennessee Code § 48-55-104(b), the Tennessee Secretary of State acts as the agent for Defendant and service on the Tennessee Secretary of State was proper.
- 4. Plaintiff is entitled to the relief sought based on the assertions in her Complaint.

WHEREFORE, pursuant to section 502(a)(2) and (5) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1132(a)(2) and (5), as stated in Plaintiff's Complaint, the Secretary requests that the Court enter an Order which:

- A. Enters judgment in favor of the Plaintiff;
- B. Enjoins Defendant from violating the provisions of Title I of ERISA.

- C. Permanently enjoins Defendant from acting as a fiduciary, trustee, agent, or representative in any capacity to any employee benefit plan, as defined by ERISA.
- D. Removes Defendant from any position the Defendant holds as a named or functional fiduciary to the Plan.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that the foregoing Plaintiff's Motion for Default Judgment

Against Defendant Synergy Holdings, Inc., Memorandum of Law in Support

of Plaintiff's Motion for Default Judgment and proposed Default Judgment

was electronically filed with the Clerk of the Court by using CM/ECF and was

served this 19th day of August, 2010, by mailing true copies thereof, by first class

mail to:

Synergy Holdings, Inc. c/o Secretary of State Tennessee Department of State Summons Section 312 Eighth Avenue North 6th Floor, William R. Snodgrass Tower Nashville, TN 37243

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